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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am both a consumer and a small business owner. Currently my options for Business Class broadband is extremely limited. Thankfully, there is Sonic fiber available for my home address and I switched to it the moment I could from comcast because comcast had been steadily increasing their prices and decreasing their service for the years while they were the only broadband option.

Competition is the fuel for a thriving capitalistic system. Regulation that hurts competition and lack of regulation that allows the squashing of competition through capital rather than competing with competition through innovation must be thwarted and redirected where ever possible.

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